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The Article, thus amended, was approved.

Articles V and VI were approved without amendment.

Article VII, paragraph 1, was amended, on motion of Professor W. H. Carruth, by the substitution of "arrange with" for "at its discretion, authorize"; on motion of the Secretary, by the addition of "The total number of Divisions shall not at any time exceed three"; on motion of Professor J. T. Hatfield, by the addition of "The present Division is hereby continued." In the third paragraph, on motion of the Secretary, the clause "elected for one year or for two years by the members of the Division" was stricken out. The Article was then approved.

Article VIII was approved without amendment.

The Association then voted unanimously to adopt the new constitution, as amended and approved. [See p. liv.]

Professor E. H. Magill presented the report of the Committee on International Correspondence :

By the change of the Committee, made at the Annual Meeting held last year at the Johns Hopkins University, the work of the Committee has been greatly facilitated. The correspondence has been between students in our own country, and those in France and Germany. In Italian and Spanish there has been little or no correspondence, and regular bureaus are not fully established, either in Italy or Spain. There has been considerable inquiry for Spanish correspondents especially, but we have not been able to secure the correspondents that have been called for in these two languages. The effort to establish such bureaus will be continued the coming year, if such is the desire of the Association, and, we hope, with better results.

In the French and German Departments, the exchange of letters has been as follows :

276 students and others have been put in communication with the same number of students in France. No charge has been made to foreign students, and the amount of fees paid by our own students has been \$64.51.

273 students and others have been put in communication with the same number of students in Germany, and the amount received, from our own students only, has been \$68.25.

Thus it will be seen that 549 students in France and Germany, have been placed in communication with that number in this country in the 11 months, ending November 30th of the present year ; and that 1098 students, on both

sides of the Atlantic, have been placed in correspondence in that time, by the labors of your committee, and that the sum of \$132.76 has been received in fees from our own students for this service.

The expenses of the committee have been as follows : For copies of the Easter Annual, *Comrades All*, distributed as prizes to the new correspondents ; postage stamps ; circulars ; postals ; letter heads ; letter sheets and letter file, and paying charges made by the German bureau, \$130.14 ; leaving a net balance in the hands of the Committee of \$12.62.

Applications for both French and German correspondents have been promptly forwarded as soon as received, and the conditions complied with, and but few have complained of the non-receipt of letters requested. We must again state our belief that the bureaus should make no charge, except to the students of the nation in which the bureau is established. A suggestion has come from Miss E. A. Lawrence, Secretary of the *Review of Reviews*, in London, that we endeavor to interest the leading educational Journals in our respective countries to publish the addresses of Schools, Colleges, and Universities, which would desire to have their students engage in this correspondence, and have the pairing of students, now done by the Central committees, attended to by the journals in question, thus relieving the Central Committees, and bringing the students themselves into direct communication with each other, through the agency of the journals willing to undertake the work. The thought has been expressed that in this way the work may be more widely extended, and that the Committees may be thus relieved. The object of the journals attempting this would seem to be a wider circulation which would recompense them for the labor and expense involved.

Another and perhaps a better method than this would be the continuance of the labors of the Committee, who should make it a point to inform themselves, through their own acquaintances abroad (and perhaps through foreign journals, for which they might subscribe with this end in view), as to the addresses of Schools, Colleges, or Universities, which would wish their students to engage in this correspondence ; and send the home applications which they receive to the proper heads of departments in these institutions, who would assign (according to age, occupation of parents, proficiency in the language, etc.) the names thus received from us, and have the students so selected begin the correspondence with the individual students thus assigned them. This is a slight modification of the methods employed by this Committee, and we believe that more prompt service might be thus obtained.

Without expressing our conviction at present, pro or con, as to these modified suggestions, we would ask that the present arrangement be continued at least for another year, and the Committee then report their decision, after a fuller examination of the subject than they have thus far been able to give it ; and if time permit for suggestions in this meeting, they

would be glad to hear from any who have suggestions to make at this time, and if not now, through the medium of correspondence ; for we certainly all desire alike, now that this Association has undertaken the work, to make it so efficient and practical as to produce the best possible results. Our comparatively new country is, in these days of a new century, in many matters of great importance, now setting a worthy example before the world. May we of this Association properly do the part which falls to our share.

Your new Committee of five have all been consulted in person or by correspondence, before this report was prepared, and in the suggestions which it contains, they are practically one.

The Easter Annual, *Comrades All*, not having paid expenses, and having been supported, largely, thus far, by the liberality of W. T. Stead, of the *Review of Reviews*, it is proposed that its publication be no longer continued. This your committee can but regret, believing that it has done good service in interesting students in the International Correspondence, on both sides of the Atlantic. But of this our generous benefactor must be himself the judge.

In view of this discontinuance, as it will of course be no longer offered as prizes to our new correspondents, we propose to diminish the charge for applicants for correspondents, from 25 cents, the charge the past year, to 10 cents each. We believe that this price will be satisfactory to all, and that it can be made to cover expenses of this bureau without any expense to the Modern Language Association. We desire also to make a special appeal to the German Bureau, to make no further charge for the American students ; doing the same for us as we have always done by the German students, and for making this reasonable recommendation we ask the approval of the Modern Language Association at the coming meeting at the University of Michigan.

EDWARD H. MAGILL, *Chairman*.

The report was approved and the Committee was continued.

The Committee on Bibliography submitted the following report, which, in the absence of the Chairman, Professor H. A. Todd, was read by Professor F. N. Scott :

At the meeting of the Modern Language Association held at Baltimore in December, 1903, a resolution was offered by Professor Fred. N. Scott, and passed by the Association, calling on the Committee on Bibliography to prepare and publish a bibliography of American contributions to the philology and literature of English, German, and the Romance languages for the years 1901 and 1902, and appropriating \$250, or such part of this sum as might be necessary, to cover the expense of the undertaking.